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Attached are proposed amendments in Serial No. 09/728,934 that are necessary to place the application in condition for allowance for your review and approval. These proposed amendments would make the title better reflect the allowable invention and would make the abstract better conform to the format set forth in the MPEP. Once I receive your approval for these proposed amendments, I will execute the changes via Examiner's Amendment. I need a response ASAP and preferably by COB on Friday. If you have any questions, please call me back at the above number.

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Art Unit 1732

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SERIAL # 09/728,934

The title has been changed to:

-- METHOD FOR ADJUSTING THE SHAPE OF A LOW FRICTION COATING ON A SPLINED SLIP JOINT MEMBER --.

The abstract has been replaced by the abstract on the attached separate page.